

HEALTH CARE **CENTRAL**

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SUBMITTED WITHOUT COMMENT: President Obama's Health Care Promises



"That means that no matter how we reform health care, we will keep this promise to the American people: If you like your doctor, you will be able to keep your doctor, period." ("Remarks by the President at the Annual Conference of the American Medical Association," The White House, Office of the Press Secretary, June 15, 2009)

"I will sign a universal health care bill into law by the end of my first term as president that will cover every American and **cut the cost of a typical family's premium by up to \$2,500 a year**." (Speech, "A Politics of Conscience," PolitiFact, June 23, 2007)

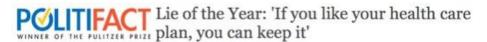
"You should know that once we have fully implemented, you're going to be able to buy insurance through a pool so that you can get the same good rates as a group that if you're an employee at a big company you can get right now -- which means your premiums will go down." ("Remarks by the President at a Campaign Event," The White House, Office of the Press Secretary, July 16, 2012)

"[W]hatever ideas exist in terms of bending the cost curve and starting to reduce costs for families, businesses, and government, those elements are in this bill." ("Remarks by the President After Meeting with Senate Democrats," The White House, Office of the Press Secretary, December 15, 2009)

"So this law means more choice, more competition, lower costs for millions of Americans." ("Remarks by the President on the Affordable Care Act and the Government Shutdown," The White House, Office of the Press Secretary, October 1, 2013)

"In my mind the [Affordable Care Act] has been a huge success, **but it's got real problems**." (Jonathan Chait, "Five Days That Shaped a Presidency," *New York Magazine*, October 2, 2016)

"I'm willing to look at other ideas to bring down costs..." ("Remarks by the President in State of Union Address," The White House, Office of the Press Secretary, January 25, 2011)



In 2013, Politifact rated this the number one lie of the year. At publication, Politifact found at least 37 instances when President Obama made this vow to the American public.